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Memorandum of Conversation

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DATE: June 27, 1952

SUBJECT: 1. India-Pakistan Discussions of Water Rights
2. Situation in Indochina

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. Bruce, Acting Secretary
Mr. B. R. Sen, Ambassador of India
Mr. Robert E. Hoey, PSA
Mr. William Witman II, SOA

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1. The Indian Ambassador called at 4:30 at the Acting Secretary's request.

In the course of the conversation, Mr. Bruce informed Mr. Sen that Secretary Acheson, before leaving for Europe, had especially requested him to convey to the Ambassadors of India and Pakistan, the first time he should see them, the Secretary's gratification at the progress made in the recent discussions between representatives of the two Governments regarding the use and development of waters in dispute between India and Pakistan, held in Washington under the auspices of the IBRD.

The Ambassador said he had just been going over the papers relating to the discussions and was pleased that progress had been made.

In concluding the conversation, which dealt also with other matters, the Acting Secretary reiterated the Department's satisfaction in this respect.

2. That part of the conversation between the Ambassador and the Acting Secretary which related to Indochina and the Bermuda talks has been summarized in the Department's telegram No. 2966 of June 28, 1952 to New Delhi.

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